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CAMPUS\$ ENDS PUBLICATION Hallowed Institution Says "Nah"

By Bill Clinton

Former President of the United States of America, did not have sexual relations with that woman

The *Campus*, the nation's longest-running, worst-named, most prestigious, best-looking and most outgoing newspaper is set to close up shop on April 14. In recent weeks conversation in the College community has centered around the paper's opinions section and its choice to publish controversial and poorly written pieces. A boycott by a number of cultural organizations stipulated changes *The Campus* could make to become a more inclusive publication.

The editorial board extensively debated its role as a platform for student voices, its non-diverse institutional history, its standards for publishing and its inclusivity — or lack thereof. But in the end, they made the ethical choice: to just give up.

"I regret to inform (but am secretly very relieved) the student body that *The Campus* will cease publication next week," editor-in-chief Claire Abbadi '16 wrote in an email. "According to a bunch of anonymous comments on our website, I'm bad at using the proctor panini and our newspaper facilitates too many invigorating conversations. That hurt, so I'm quitting."

The editorial board's disappointment was on display Wednesday at lunchtime, when editors were seen chugging rolling rock, ripping bong and dancing to

PROTESTORS PREVAIL: CAMPUS IS GOING WAY OF THE DODO



Will Branches '17.5 shared a positive message at the Occupy Campus tent city behind Mead Chapel.

"Gangnam Style" outside of their Hepburn basement office.

"I'm so glad *The Campus* is shutting down," Eloom Naughty '16 said. "I never read that rag. I prefer reading meandering and brief think pieces on *middbeat*."

"Print media is dead, everyone knows that," Blithe Caruthers '09 said. "It was only a matter of time before those *Campus* jokers realized that you can't make money in journalism anymore. Even if they were volunteering countless hours of their time each week and I have no clue what their publication process is ... they objectively did a bad job. I

am going to miss using it as toilet paper though, even if it was a bit coarse."

But not everyone was happy about the newspaper's decision to shut down. The following was captured in a closed door meeting between President of the College Laurie L. Patton and a number of preposterously wealthy Wall Street alumni (her speaking fee was rumored to be \$675,000).

"I'll be sad to see *The Campus* go," Patton said. "How am I going to inform myself about the SGA's latest printer acquisition? Who am I going to send my propaganda to now? I'm not sure *middbeat* will

ever be as good of a mouthpiece for Old Chapel as *The Campus* was."

Advocates for inclusivity at the College are excited about what *The Campus*' closing means for acceptable dialogue in the community going forward.

"Isn't it so exciting that we'll never have to read the opinions section?" Ari Real '18.5 said. "Now instead reading the flawed arguments of not-woke white students and responding to them with thoughtful submissions of my own, I can just get into arguments on the internet with anonymous trolls. So constructive!"

Admin Does Everything Except Ban Sex

By The Ghost of Honest Abe
Spooky President of the United States of America

Last month the College banned the sale of energy drinks on campus, citing their link to "high risk sexual activity" and other "problematic behavior." In an effort to completely combat what Executive Director of Food Service Operations Dan Detora called an "unhealthy hookup culture," the College has decided to introduce a number of new bans on things linked to "risky sexual activity."

The energy drink ban attracted an overwhelming amount of national attention. The popular college website, brobible.com, criticized the College's focus on energy drinks. "What I am saying is that your big crusade is a futile effort — if it ain't the sexual powers of Red Bull students are getting aroused by, it will be literally anything else. It's f***ing college," said a contributor to the site.

"It was comments like these that forced us to really rethink our decision to ban just energy

drinks," said Detora. "If we want to see a change on this campus, we need to address anything that might provoke students to take part in sexual activity."

A list of suggested bans has been sent to the Community Council, the body that originally proposed the ban on energy drinks, for approval. The Community Council will vote on each individual ban next week in a closed session in order to avoid dealing with student opposition. "When the students get involved in decisions like these, it makes everything a lot more difficult," said Katy Smith Abbott, vice president of student affairs, dean of students and Community Council co-chair. "Instead, we try to hold closed meetings when we're dealing with these types of controversial issues."

The Campus was able to secure a copy of the suggested bans in a special request to Detora. Here is a preview of what students may lose access to in the near future:

Aphrodisiac foods: hot chilies (including hot sauce, red pepper flakes); asparagus; avocados (in-

cluding guacamole, potentially Proctor taco days); bananas; chocolate (including chocolate candy bars, ice cream, milk); oysters; pomegranates; red wine; salmon; walnuts; vanilla (include vanilla ice cream); watermelon.

Anything that smells like any of those foods (eg. vanilla scented candles).

Netflix, specifically those shows and movies that lend themselves to nights of "netflix and chill" (eg. documentaries; old episodes of *Friends*, *The Office*, *Parks and Recreation*; Netflix "International" and "Independent" section; movies meant for children).

Single dollar bills.

Double beds, queen beds, king beds, mattress pads, sheets and comforters.

"Screw Your Teammate," "Crush," "Sixers Mixers," "Atwater" parties.

Playlists with three or more songs by Marvin Gaye, J Cole, Jeremiah, Rihanna or Gavin DeGraw.

Detora stressed that each ban is the result of extensive research done by the administration.

"We looked into student activity on college campuses across the country and found that other colleges and universities are having similar problems," he said. "There seems to be a direct correlation between a lot of these things and 'hookups.' We don't want to promote this type of sexual activity at Middlebury, it's just not wholesome."

Although the list of bans is being presented to the Community Council for approval, the administration will make the final decision regarding which bans are enforced. According to President of the College, Laurie L. Patton, the implementation of these bans are "an exciting and refreshing opportunity to redefine sexual activity" which she plans to see implemented "so that we can focus on coming together as a community dedicated to the building blocks of higher education."

The Community Council will vote on these bans at their meeting next Tuesday, April 12. Immediately following the meeting, the administration will announce their final decision.

LIEBOWITZ SCHOOL OF BUSINESS\$

By Donald Trump

President-Elect of the United States of America, Doer of Deals, Builder of Walls

During a faculty wide meeting on April 1, The Office for Advancement announced the addition of a new graduate program to be incorporated under the Middlebury University umbrella. While The Liebowitz School of Business is still undergoing its preliminary planning stages, President of the College Laurie L. Patton assured everyone that it would open in time for the economics majors in the Class of 2020 to matriculate upon graduation.

"What initially began as a joke thrown around my predecessor's office quickly developed into reality when the statistics began to speak for themselves," said Patton. "Last year, over fifty percent of the Class of 2015 headed to jobs on Wall Street. Why should these students have to learn on the job when they can further their education in the classroom and prolong their Middlebury experience?"

While there was a great deal of debate as to where the new school should be located, the Board of Trustees ultimately decided to keep the school located locally in Rutland, Vermont. This location offers ample field space, which will be especially enticing to members of the men's lacrosse team.

"We wanted to choose a location as close to the College's campus as possible," said Vice President for Academic Development Timothy Spears. "This is sure to facilitate optimal relationships between the faculty of the Business School and the College's Economics Department. We're looking to enroll the best and brightest students ... who wants to be an analyst at Goldman Sachs when you can stay in the Middlebury bubble for three more years?"

The faculty of the business school will also offer senior electives to economics majors at the College as a way to bridge the gap between the institutions. Two of these courses will be 'Millionaires in the Making: How to Get Rich Fast' and 'Beyond STATA: The Exciting World of Excel.'

This new school comes with the hope of increasing financial gifts from alumni. The returns on the endowment have suffered during the last fiscal year, and donations are at an all time low.

"This new school will not only bolster Middlebury's bottom line, it will hopefully produce the financial titans of the future," tweeted a representative from the Office of Advancement. "I honestly wouldn't be surprised if we had three new field houses by 2050."

The Liebowitz School of Business will enroll 200 students its first class, increasing this number by fifty every year until they've reached full capacity at around 2000 students. Seniors graduating from the College with a minimum of cum laude standing will be guaranteed admission.

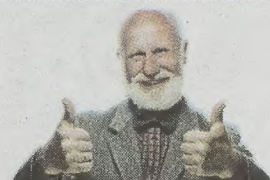
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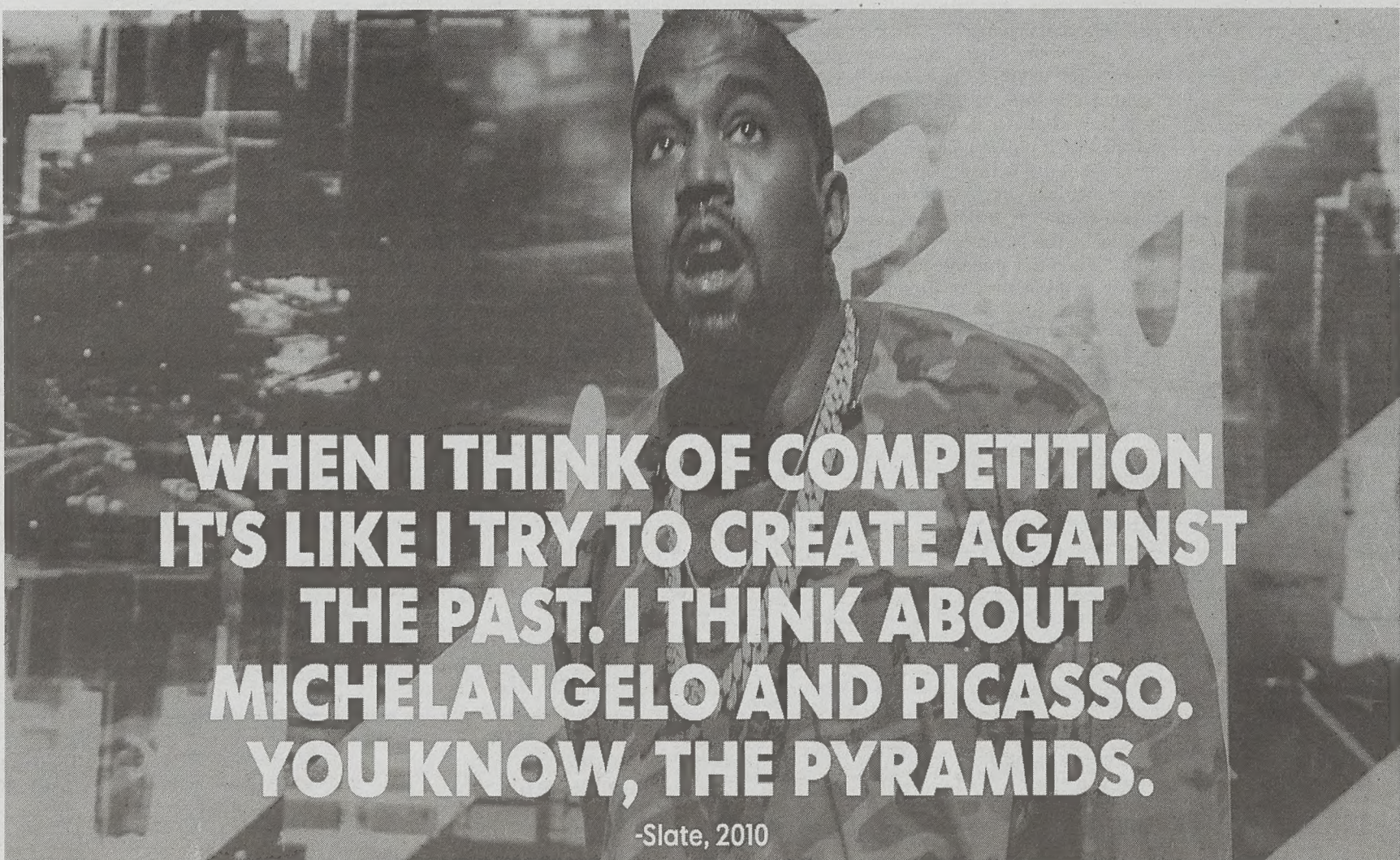
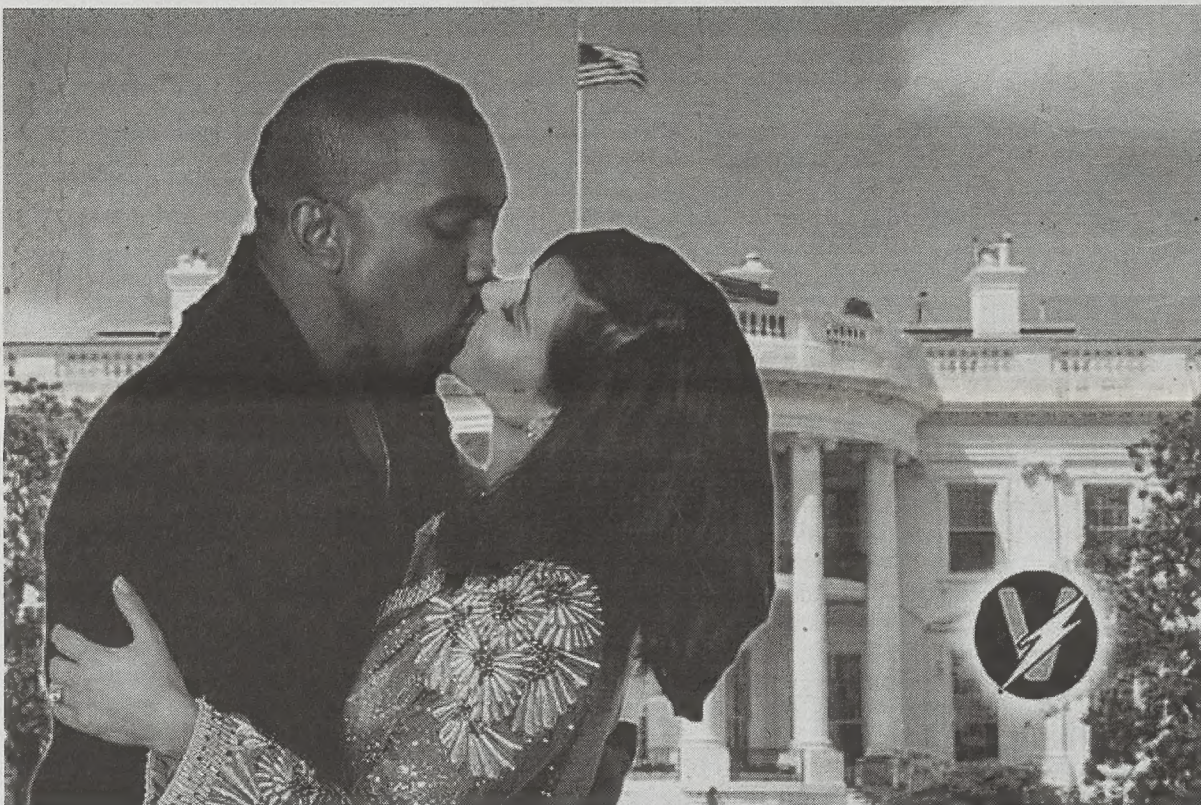
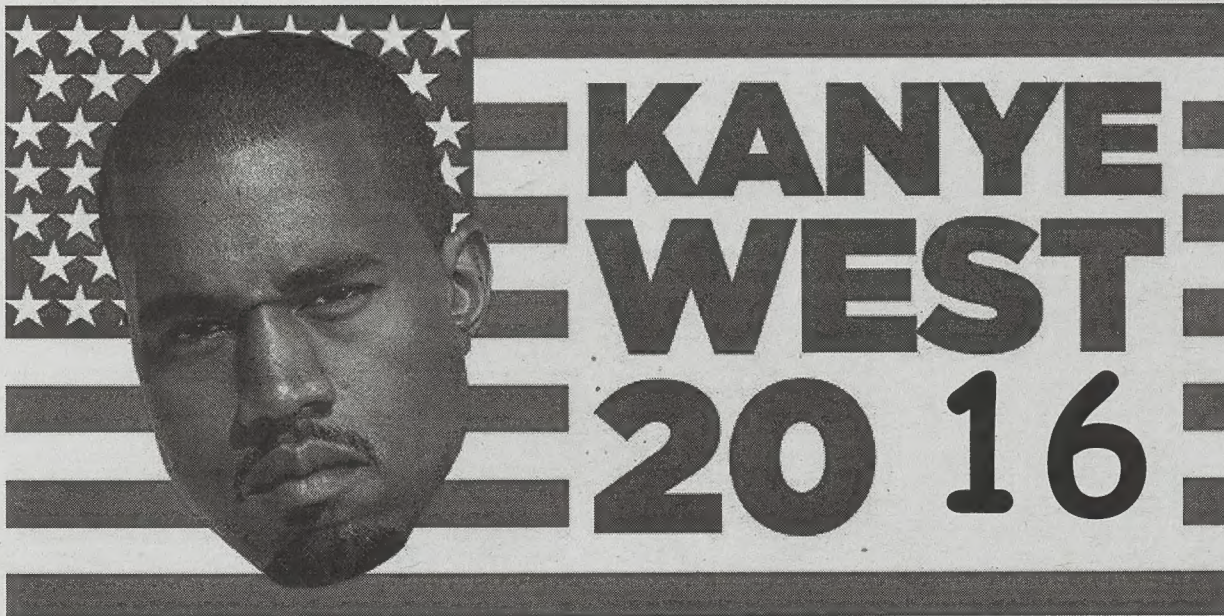


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LOCAL

The Middlebury Campus

Marquis Theatre Adds Daycare Center Behind Bar

By Harry Cramer
Local Editor

In its latest bid to diversify, the Marquis Theatre will soon offer full-time daycare services to the residents of the Middlebury area. The children's center will be located between the screening room and the southwestern grille, but behind the bar area.

Marlin explained that the idea came to him last Saturday night while scrubbing vomit from the establishment's multi-purpose room.

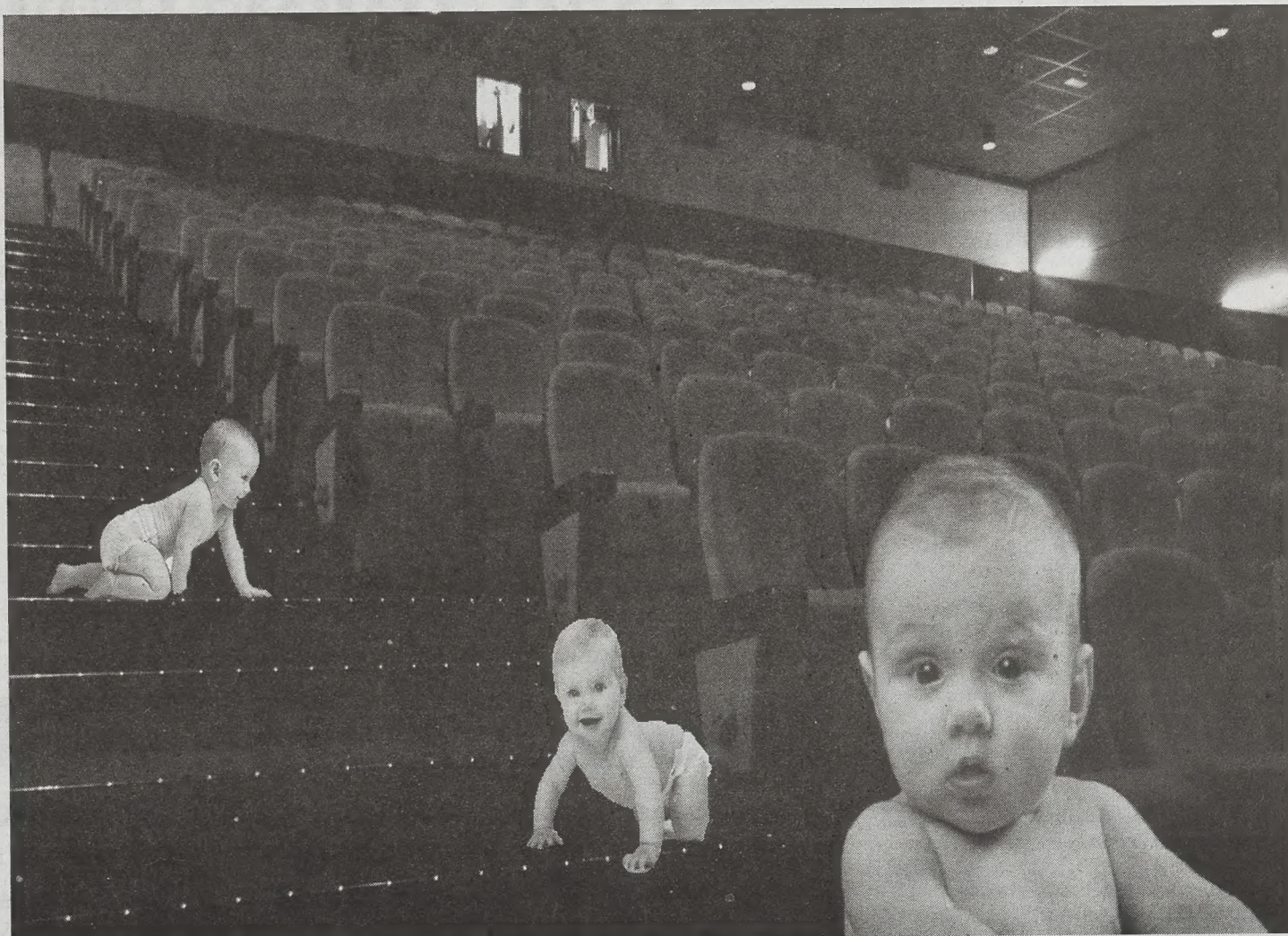
"If we can handle drunk underclassmen practically destroying this place on Thursday's," he laughed, "then I think we can handle a few kids."

Marlin does not currently have children, nor does he like them. Still, the daycare was a financial necessity after Marlin allowed his brother-in-law to open a impromptu auto repair service in the garage.

"I thought he knew what he was doing," Marlin sighed.

To prepare the building, Marlin plans to push the couches together in the screening room and throw some old pillows on the floor. He also borrowed some puzzles at the student recycling center at the College, and plans to run the Disney hit *Frozen* on repeat.

"I was told that kids love that movie," he said. "I figured that if there are enough who want to watch the movie, they'll silence the rowdier kids. They'll basically police themselves."



Hayden Tambo (bottom right) and Joshua Gold (middle) noticed our cameraman as he snapped a photo in the theater. How cute!

Deadly Rioting After Sanders Endorses Birkenstocks

By Rita Skeeter
Local Editor

Last Friday, Democratic presidential candidate Bernie Sanders made a trip to Burlington, Vt. to bolster his campaign in the Green Mountain State. An event was held at which residents, especially young adults, from all over the state made an appearance. Many of the attendees voiced concern about how Sanders would keep up the momentum of his campaign in light of recent events. Sanders had an answer.

"I am happy and relieved to announce that I have recently entered into a partnership with Birkenstock USA," said Sanders, gleaming with pride. "From this moment on, Birkenstocks will be the official symbol of my campaign."

Sanders did not specify the particular style of Birkenstock footwear that best represented his efforts. Many attendees

assumed that this detail was open for interpretation, but a large group did emerge supporting the classic Birkenstock sandal as the epitome of the campaign.

The crowd at Sanders' event responded with intense enthusiasm. One attendee remarked, "I think this is exactly what Sanders needs to make a larger national presence. The Birkenstock culture is one that has influenced our youth, and there is no better footwear to represent the ideals that Sanders stands for." No one could have predicted the events that would occur.

Immediately after the event and throughout the weekend, stores selling Birkenstocks throughout Vermont were flooded with Bernie supporters. One Burlington local reports hearing chants of "Birks for Bernie" emanate into the wee hours of the night.

Unfortunately, the quest for Birkenstocks did not end in glory for all of the

ardent supporters. From Friday to Sunday, there were riots and stampedes at all Birkenstock-selling locations. The fervor of the mass of Sanders supporters became uncontrollable in many store locations. Over the course of three days, officials report that there were 25 dead and 70 injured in pursuit of the sacred Birkenstocks.

"I do not see this event as a tragedy," Burlington Mayor Miro Weinberger says. "Although I do not necessarily agree with the actions and beliefs of the Bernie fanatics, I think that these deaths represent a sense of hope for our city in that they prove that our community is willing to come together and fight for a cause it believes in."

Those severely injured from the Birkenstock rampages maintained an admirable sense of calm despite their pains.

"I have always said that I would give my right arm for Sanders, and I guess that day has come."

**MORTALLY WOUNDED
SANDERS SUPPORTER**

"I have always said that I would give my right arm for Sanders, and I guess that day has come," gushed a Sanders supporter whose right arm will soon be amputated after being severely trampled in the rush for sandals at one Birkenstock location.

Other injured supporters expressed similar sentiments. Some have even reported that wearing the Birkenstock shoes makes them feel invincible despite the physical damage. "Birks for Bernie" is clearly a force to be reckoned with.

Middlebury Student Donates Sombrero Collection to St. Johns Clothing Drive



"Our regular customers absolutely adore the new hats, some of which have barely been used. It's heartening to see students genuinely interested in helping the local community."

PEGGY WINTHROP
CHURCH ORGANIZER

OPINIONS

Disclaimer: Reader op-eds do not reflect the opinion of *The Middlebury Campus* editorial board.

The Middlebury Campus

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My goal is to become the really drunk aunt at family reunions

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Was that on your Common App?

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Where's the feb orgy happening tonight?

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Fifth floor of Starr.

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Is proctor open for breakfast today ?

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When is it not?

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So I've accepted a that my prince isn't coming on a white horse, he's obviously lost somewhere, riding a llama

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Feb alert.

Middbeat Thinkpiece

I have a lot of feelings. Some of are positive, and some are negative. But that's what life's about; having feelings. I'm pretty sure most of these feelings are original. Yeah, definitely – no one has ever thought of what I'm about to say. Because I'm young, and I'm enlightened. I've been thinking. And feeling. And thinking some more.

Is it spring, or winter? It's hard to know whether it's spring or not because it's still so cold outside. Cold, and stressful. I'm stressed. I'm a college student

READER OP-ED

Astor W. Brichard III '16
is from Greenwich, CT

and I'm stressed. I have a lot of work, and I think all this work makes it hard for me to be myself and do whatever I feel like doing. No one has ever made this point before and it must be my duty to speak up on this issue, an issue that has never before been raised.

My friends are cool but I think I'd like to meet more people here. Everyone's so attractive and I'd really like to flirt (read: have sex) with more people. But I probably can't because I'm too stressed and cold. Man, my life is hard. Except, you know, it isn't, because I'm a cis-gender white able-bodied male. But

that doesn't change the fact that I'm really cold and stressed, you know?

I really wish this campus was more inclusive. My friends in Palmer throw parties but then they get shut down and I don't have anywhere else to go. I think this is the fault of a) Pub Safe for shutting down parties b) not Pub Safe, because they are great people (s/o to Officer Paul!!!) c) the administration for hating fun d) not the administration because they tried to lower the drinking age on campus to 18 e) liquor laws in the state of Vermont f) the beer blanket I need to stay warm g) the fact that it is spring and I am still very cold. Wait, what was I talking about? I can't remember. But this is *middbeat*, and editing is basically censorship and my untainted young-adult perspective needs to be heard. I read a Virginia Woolf novel one time and that basically qualifies me to write stream-of-consciousness style and call myself an intellectual.

But you guys, it's spring now (well, maybe ... see confusion in second paragraph) and we should try something new. Actually, I should try something new – but this is an op-Ed, and I'm pretty sure what I have to say is revolutionary, so I'm going to use the word "we" instead of "I." I mean, haven't you jumped onto my bandwagon by now? Isn't this the young, fresh take on life that you were always looking for? I am a visionary. You do not

get it but I get it and that is why I'm writing for *middbeat*.

Guys, we are so privileged. Like, most 20 year olds don't have all the stuff we have. (Note the use of the word "we" again. Because this isn't just an op-Ed; it's a manifesto.) We have nice cars and stock options and the worst thing that's ever happened to me was the shitty housing number I got my sophomore year. But even if I didn't have my Porsche Cayenne and my dad's company to run someday, I still wouldn't know what it really means to be alive.

My uncle had a business trip in Abu Dhabi last week, and he invited me to tag along. And when I wasn't taking pictures with my \$2,000 Nikon and captioning my Instagrams with quotes from Aladdin, I was taking in the socioeconomic disparity between the United States and the UAE. I mean, if my uncle's money weren't rooted in the oil industry, I'd say we really need to do something about climate change and Saudi Arabia and sexism and the amount of sand that got in my Yeezys. My trip really inspired me to take a geography class next semester because I cannot tell any Middle Eastern countries apart.

Middlebury, cherish your feelings. Go for gold. Recognize your privilege. Watch *Straight Outta Compton*. Dance like your Proctor crush is (or isn't?) watching.

DISCLAIMER You may have noticed that this issue looks a little different than usual. April Fools!

For the Sake of Heaven

Dear Middlebury Faculty, Staff and Students,

NOTES FROM OLD CHAPEL

Laurie Patton is the President of the College

I warmly welcome you back to campus after what I hope was a restful and meditative Spring Break. With less than two months left of the academic year, I call upon our community to continue to grapple with the issues plaguing our

campus (for the sake of heaven). Debating with one another, educating ourselves on unfamiliar perspectives and actively listening to our peers are essential methods for strengthening our community. As the spring flowers begin to bloom, let us emulate nature's capacity to struggle through poor conditions and become something beautiful.

As I swim laps during the President's swim hour – the time when the pool is closed to the entire school except for me – I often find myself repeating mantras by the Buddha, Gandhi and Jesus. In times like these, we must remain connected to our spiritual inner-beings by practicing love and compassion.

With every backstroke, I send a positive vibration to someone on this campus. The whistle in the wind, the stray leaf that falls on your shoulder or that morning sunrise you Instagram on the way to an early class are all examples of my energy flowing into you. Even lessons as simple as the Golden Rule – treating others the way you want to be treated – may guide us through turmoil to a more peaceful and spiritual future. Like the emerging spring flowers, we all have the capacity to dazzle the world with our strength.

In an attempt to further ameliorate campus tensions, I now offer meditation sessions in the organic garden six

times a day. In addition, my adorable dogs are available for therapeutic petting whenever they aren't snuggling with me. Beginning next fall, we will also be providing a full selection of Yogi Tea at "4 o'clock proc." The administration is doing everything it can to make this campus a more peaceful space for all.

As the academic year winds down, let us continue to provide light for each other while working towards a better Middlebury.

Ever your inspired,
President Patton

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

To the Editor:

It is with great respect and admiration that I wish to recognize the work of exemplary members of our Middlebury community who have written incredibly thoughtful and measured op-Eds. Week after week, I have been proud of the articles printed in the

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Jonathan Nessralla '17 is from Farimont, West Virginia

publication that represents our college, as they have continually demonstrated our students' ability not only to write effectively, but also to consider all

members of the Middlebury community who represent such wide-ranging backgrounds. My pride for our community swells as I read op-Eds that show compelling writing filled with thoughtful opinions which contribute to important conversations, especially those surrounding race and privilege on our campus. We should celebrate these students for the careful consideration they bring to each and every opinions piece, communicating ideas that play a crucial role in the current discourse while managing to respect the vulnerabilities and sensitivities of many within our community.

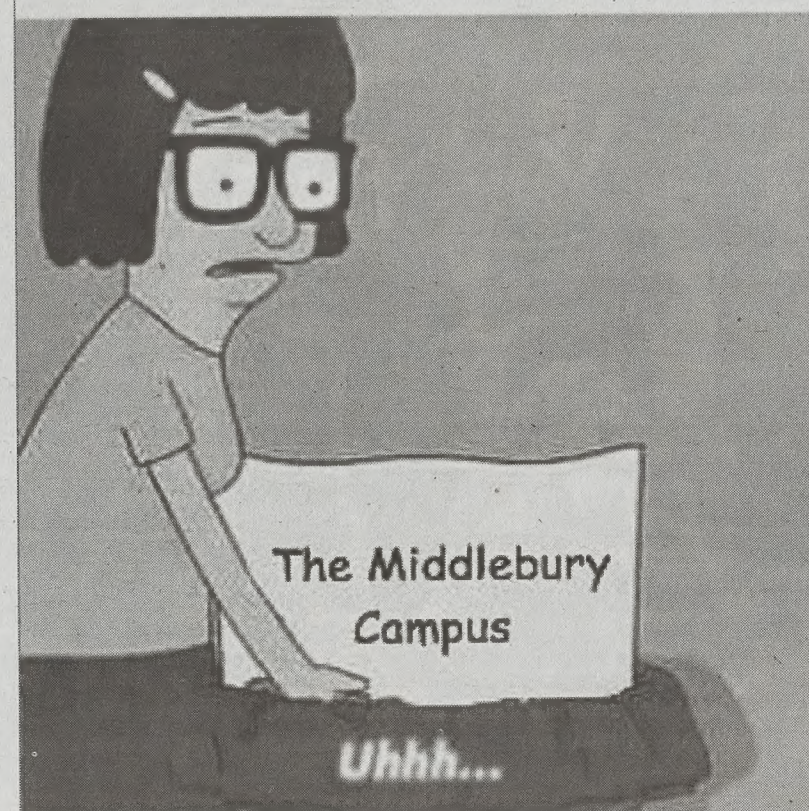
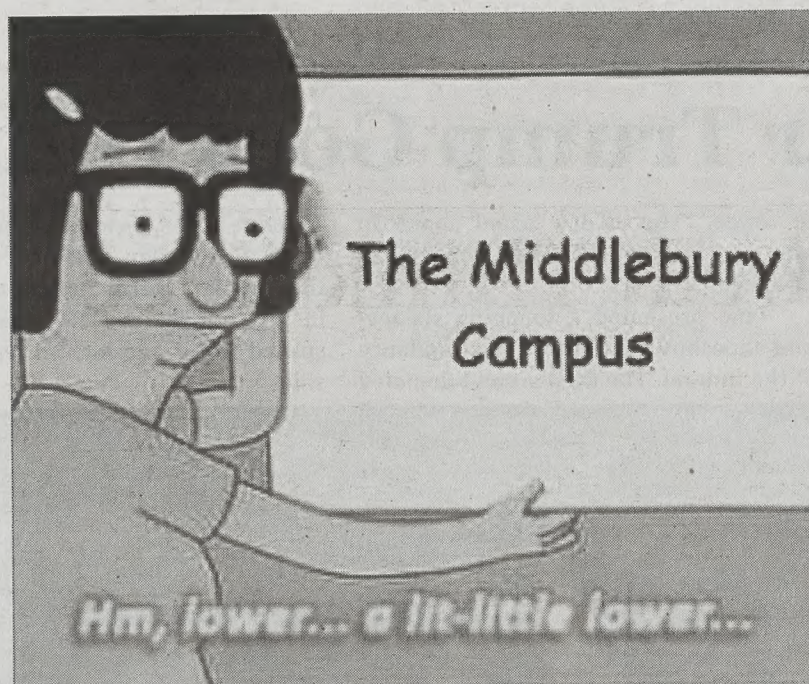
It is the consideration of others within the op-Ed articles that I find so impressive. Each piece has shown serious dedication to constructing clear

arguments that do not include any flagrant disregard for the thoughts and feelings of our students here. It is with eager anticipation that I await each weekly publication in Proctor, sipping my coffee with the knowledge that my Thursday morning will start off with the active thinking I expect of my socially-conscious college community.

It also brings me such joy to see how the work of *The Campus* editors is so often recognized by the readers of the publication. With such difficult campus conversations taking place on our campus, it is important to acknowledge the challenging job the editors have in guiding these discussions, empowering those who elect to write op-eds with the support of a fine-tuned editorial eye. Their careful curation has elevat-

ed the level of discourse to an impressively new high, thereby helping to fill the opinions section pages with voices that might otherwise be undervalued or misunderstood. Editorial team, your hours of dedication to this publication have not gone unnoticed by this community. We understand the incredibly difficult responsibilities you have in the context of the current college environment. Your dedication to struggle with your editorial duties is apparent in your section; it is clear that you have emerged from difficult conversations with a nuanced and enlightened perspective on the role you play in the current campus climate.

Keep up the good work, opinions. I can't wait to see what the next edition has in store.



Nude Orators Propose Naked Oral Display

By Alan Yates
Contributing Writer

A dispute between two campus organizations spilled over into Vermont District Court Tuesday when Oratory Now filed an injunction to prevent rival group Oratory Nude from producing an event “designed to denigrate the role of speech in democratic life.”

“For three years,” Oratory Now spokesperson Maya Levine ’17 said, “we’ve been planning to revive a 191-year old Middlebury tradition: The Parker Merrill Speech Competition.”

“Now all of sudden,” Levine continues, “we’re three days from the preliminaries — we’ve got former Governor Jim Douglas signed on as a speechwriting consultant, celebrity alums coming back to be judges, all this prize money

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(\$1000), all this momentum — and WHAM: some disgruntled classics majors form a splinter group and announce “The Parker Merrill Nude Speech Competition.”

“As if regular speaking isn’t exciting enough!”

But a countersuit filed Wednesday by Oratory Nude asserts that, “From the time of its founding in 1825 until the last

recorded contest in 1965, The Parker Merrill was ‘an historically unclothed contest.’”

“Just like athletes and orators in the original Olympics,” the suit argues, “Parker Merrill speakers trained and competed naked in the gymnasium.”

“To ignore the role of gymnós (from the Greek for ‘nudity’) in pubic speaking is not only dishonest; it is a betrayal of the very tradition Oratory Now purports to honor.”

The Oratory Nude countersuit relies heavily on documents recently discovered in the catacombs beneath the Axinn Center’s Abernethy Room.

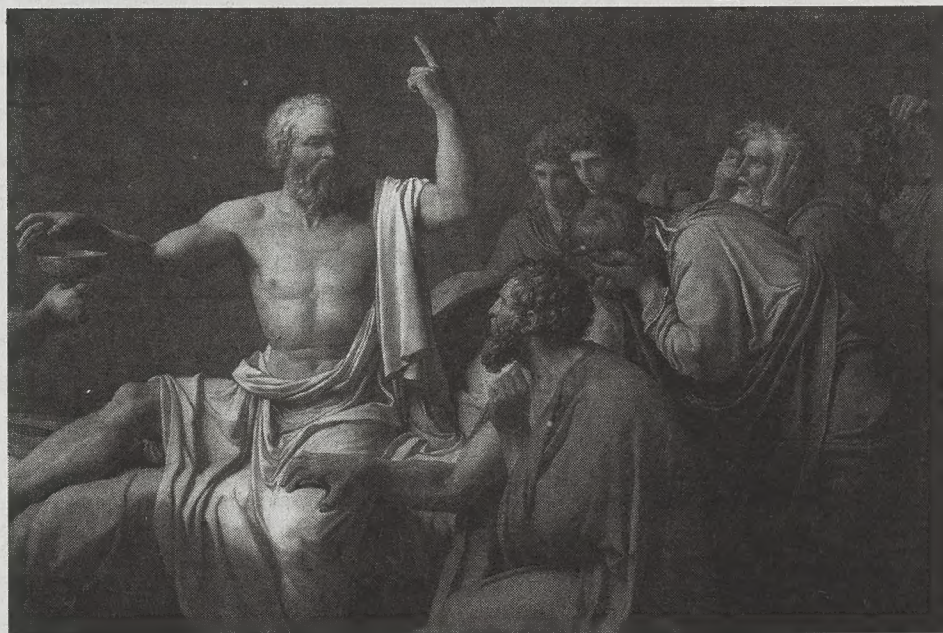
“We stumbled upon a 19th century campus mailer full of original programs; one, from 1873, features the hand-drawn illustration of a speaker, clearly naked, standing behind a podium. Another, from 1883, depicts several rows of nude audience members ... These graphics prove that, unlike Oratory Now, early producers of The Parker Merrill Speech Competition have always been committed to full transparency.”

“People doodle!” responded Levine. “That’s what those graphics prove. I mean, come on — who hasn’t sat in a lecture hall and absentmindedly sketched out a nude portrait of the lecturer?”

“And have you never heard the advice, ‘Picture your audience naked?’ That’s obviously what someone was doing: picturing. Why are we even listening to these lunatics?”

In a transcript of the court brief filed Wednesday, Professor of Classics Justine Gallagher argued that both sides should “tone down the rhetoric.”

“To be guided by the history of unclothed oratory,” Gallagher writes, “I believe one should look not to the Greeks,



MICHELANGELO

One of the earliest recorded Topless Speaking Finals in Athens, Greece, circa 399 B.C.

but to the Romans. And not to Cicero, as one might think, but to the great poet Virgil, about whom it was said that ‘the moment he began to declaim, audience members would instantly remove their shirts.’”

“It was likely this concept that led 20th century teachers of rhetoric to claim that, with diligence, their students might one day learn to speak ‘Like A Virgil.’”

Levine is unconvinced. “You want history? Look what happened to us: We offer peer coaching in oratory, they decide to offer nude peer coaching; we start a credit-bearing PE Course called ‘OratoryX: A Public Speaking Workout,’ they launch ‘Midnight OratoryXXX’ (not for credit). Now they’re trying to co-opt The Parker Merrill.”

Levine warns that Oratory Nude may be planning a hostile takeover of all cam-

pus speaking organizations.

“What’s next? The Naked Moth? TEDx Nude?”

But The Parker Merrill (Regular Old) Speech Competition organizers pledge to push on, undeterred. The preliminary rounds will be held, as scheduled, April 10-11, and on April 14 at 7:30 p.m. in the Abernethy Room, twelve semifinalists will compete for a spot in the April 29 Championships.

“Picture it,” Levine says, “For the first time in over 50 years, Middlebury will have its speech contest back. Just six speakers, with six minutes each to persuade us of something important. And I guarantee, they will be fully clothed.”

For contest information or to register, visit go/speechcontest.

Twitter Dies at 10 After Trump Goes H.A.M.

By Ben Carson
Contributing Columnist

Twitter, an influential cultural and political commentator and noted socialite, died early Wednesday morning at his home in Palo Alto. He was 10 years old. The cause was a ruptured spleen, according to the county coroner Tim Cook.

The full autopsy revealed that Twitter’s organs had been placed under enormous stress after real estate mogul Donald J. Trump retweeted a photograph of Heidi Cruz, wife of Senator Ted “Lyn’ Ted” Cruz of Texas, with the caption “A Picture Is Worth a Thousand Words.” The post garnered over 9,000 further retweets, prompting CNN and other corporate media outlets to give the event extensive coverage for days.

A funeral service for Twitter was held in a private, secluded Palo Alto residence late Wednesday afternoon. Among the attendees were Instagram and her father, Facebook (son of the late Myspace), as well as Tumblr, Pinterest and Snapchat, who suddenly disappeared a few seconds after the start of the service. Reddit was spotted in the back of the church, said witnesses who at first couldn’t find him. Google+ was invited, but many of the guests felt he wouldn’t really add much to the funeral service.

“Twitter loved bringing people together. He was just that kind of guy,” Tumblr recalled. “He never said too much at once, but when he

did, he said it meaningfully.”

In a long-winded speech from the pulpit, Facebook shared Vine’s post. “He was a man of few words. I’ll always admire how he could always express how ever he was feeling in just 140 characters

or fewer.” The eulogy lasted about an hour and included a “feeling somber” tag at the end.

Vine presented a touching six-second slideshow to all those in attendance at the funeral. The final second depicted

Twitter in the peaceful moment of his death — a screen that read “404 error: this page is permanently unavailable” in 12-point Times New Roman, double-spaced with one-inch margins on all sides.



College Goes Tuition Free; Students Rejoice

By Jack Goff
Contributing Writer

In addition to other shocking and breaking news this week, the College announced in an email Thursday a recent Community Council decision to meet the Full Aid Challenge starting with next year's Class of 2021. President Laurie L. Patton said in the email that the College "is the first such institution in the history of not-for-profit institutions of higher learning to make its education cost-free for all students."

Taylor Hines '18.5, who previously qualified for no financial aid, will be excited to watch her tuition bill go down. "I can't believe that Middlebury is finally taking real steps towards equality and inclusion," she said. "Financial iniquity is something that no one can see,

but that affects students on this campus every day. My college tuition is the greatest hardship in my life."

A recently admitted student, who will pay full tuition during his first year and then nothing during the last three, agreed. "Middlebury is paving the way for all students to be able to attend," Dean Pownall '20 said. "Now, I won't have to consider three things and only choose two: a college education, a new plane or a boat. Instead, I can put the money I would have used for school

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TAYLOR HINES '18.5

able to anyone without burdening the one-percenters who populate the school. To make the school truly tuition free,

experiences that help others."

Vice President for Finance and Treasurer for the College Patrick Norton said that although the College has struggled financially due to a recent decrease in endowment returns, the administration is committed to making an elite education available to anyone without burdening the one-percenters who populate the school. To make the school truly tuition free,

Norton said, the College plans to terminate all faculty positions and close the three campus dining halls before the fall semester begins.

With the encouragement of President Patton, Community Council voted to approve the measure changing the fund distribution. Previous efforts to make the College more equitable have failed because faculty threatened to strike. With the new proposal, all faculty positions will be eliminated, preventing professors from refusing to work if their pay is withheld.

Patton said the College will remain a world-class school, despite the lack of traditional classes. In lieu of professorships, Patton has invited staff members to teach classes in a move she introduces as "The School of Hard Knocks."

Patton Announces Candidacy for Republican Party

By Zoe Barnes
Staff Writer

The Republican Party has taken a whirlwind tour this election season, with some of the candidates explicitly banking on a contested convention in Cleveland to stop real-live-orange Donald J. Trump from continuing his steamroll to the nomination. To the surprise of many, an unexpected candidate has entered the ring: Laurie L. Patton, President of Middlebury and "Bhagavad Gita" extraordinaire.

On Wednesday, Patton declared her intention to run for the G.O.P. nomination amid a motley crew of senators, former governors and businessmen. Her announcement came on the steps of Old Chapel with a crowd of people milling about.

"After much deliberation, I have decided to seek the G.O.P. nomination for the highest office in the land," she said during the announcement. "We are going to make America argue again — argue for the sake of heaven!"

Patton is selling shirts, hats and Birkenstocks engraved with her campaign slogan, "Make America Argue Again." Her running mate will be her husband, Pardon Tillinghast Professor of Religion Shalom Goldman, according to a campaign spokeswoman.

A quick recap of the past year. The role of standard-bearer — wrapped with a bow

on it for Jeb "Jeb!" Bush, former governor of "septuagenarian central" Florida — slipped through the establishment's bushy fingers after his poll numbers failed to meet the expectations set by his vast pile of donations.

First, sleepy-eyed surgeon Ben "Knife" Carson seemed poised to take the title, before news outlets quickly discovered he did

"We are going to make America argue again, I can promise you that."

not know the difference between violent warzone Hamas and savory dip hummus. Then Marco "Pretty Boy" Rubio surged in the polls, but soon his hardware malfunctioned on stage and he went down kicking with Chris "M&M" Christie in a debate-stage brawl.

Ted "Zodiac Killer" Cruz has been steadily pushing along among evangelicals, while John "John" Kasich has been pulling support among level-headed individuals. All the while, real estate mogul Donald "Hands" Trump swept state after state on an increasingly probable path to the nomination.

Enter Laurie Patton, whose calls on

Middlebury's campus for fostering "arguments for the sake of heaven" have struck a chord with Republican elites. Her collaborative and no-nonsense approach to implementing policies has given her an reputation for being able to get things done. Insiders within the national party organization have suggested that Patton would be able to reach across the aisle in order to implement legislation, possibly ending almost a decade of partisan gridlock.

Charles Koch, financier and active Republican donor, is confident that Patton could emerge from the Republican National Convention in Cleveland as the party's nominee if Donald Trump comes up at least 100 delegates shy, he has told friends privately.

Koch believes Patton would be a "shoo-in" at a contested convention, should the campaign get to that point. A source close to the Koch brothers revealed that they appreciate the agenda Patton has pursued as president of Middlebury, namely her advocacy of a large-scale dog park and institutionalized arguments for the sake of heaven.

"These positions contrast starkly with the vague portfolio pushed by Donald Trump," Koch said.

Patton has begun to recruit high-profile pollsters to her campaign in the hope of boosting her chances for seizing the nomination at the convention. She enlisted the help



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Patton believes she will seize the G.O.P. nomination at the party's convention in Cleveland on July 18.

of several experts to serve as foreign policy advisors to her campaign, including constitutional scholar Murray Dry.

"We don't argue anymore, folks," Patton said to tremendous applause. "We don't argue on jobs, we don't argue on trade, even China and Mexico beat us on arguing. We are going to make America argue again, I can promise you that."

College to Ban Yerba Mate Beverages Due to Increased Risk of Sexual Promiscuity

By Munchma Qoochi
Contributing Writer

This week the College declared that it will be banning the sale of popular caffeinated beverage Yerba Mate on campus. This announcement comes on the heels of a Community Council decision to ban the sale of energy drinks at the College.

Students groaned to see another flyer from Dan Detora on the counter of Wilson Café and other on-campus vendors last Friday. The flyer explained that Yerba Mate has been linked to dangerous choices like doing your homework, staying awake in class and vigorous bubble gum chewing.

Moreover, the primary reason it gave for the ban was that new studies have linked Yerba Mate and increased sexual promiscuity. Students will remember that energy drinks were banned for a similar reason: a higher chance of risky sexual behavior. Like the first announcement, this flyer provided no sources for its "scientific" studies.

Executive Director of Food Services Dan Detora spoke to *The Campus* about the decision to end Yerba Mate sales.

"I saw this article on *Buzzfeed* about Yerba Mate," Detora said. "I don't know what 'sexual promiscuity' is, but I don't like the sound of it. It's my job to keep you kid-

dos safe from the dangerous beverages out there, and I take my job very seriously."

Detora also emphasized that the College just brought new fair-trade, local coffee to the dining hall, so students shouldn't be upset about "a stupid tea."

A representative from Community Council supported Detora's decision.

"I talked to a friend who said they didn't like Yerba Mate so I thought the ban would go over fine with the student body," Elle Woods '17 said. "I, like, don't see what everyone is so upset about."

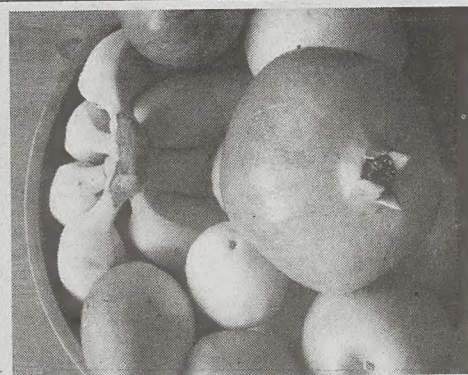
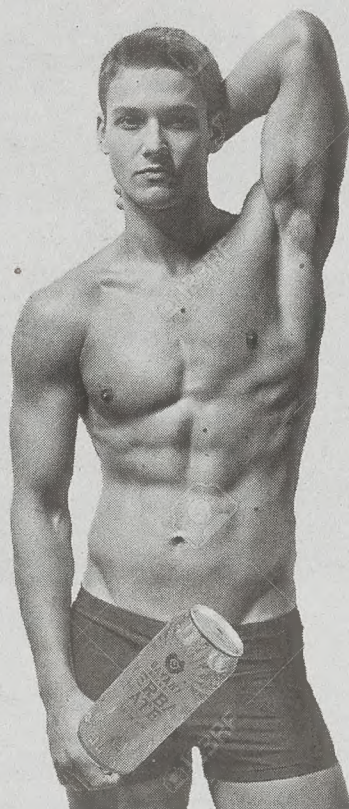
Meanwhile, students across campus are in uproar about the new ban.

"Yerba Mate is my life," Hermoine Granger '18 said. "I don't know how I can get all my homework done without it. I guess I'll just have to go back to Adderall."

Some students told *The Campus* they plan on hoarding coffee drinks in their dorm rooms in preparation for the next ban on caffeine.

"What will be next?" an anonymous student lamented. "Lattes? Drip coffee? Chocolate? I can't take those chances. I'm buying another fridge for my room just in case."

The SGA plans on holding a "Forum for Disgruntled Students on Caffeine" next week to discuss the issue. No caffeine will be served at the event.



Wellness Tip of the Week

By Mr. Clean
Staff Columnists

Condom Creativity

All right students, we're back from Spring Break which means it's time to STAY WELL! All jokes aside, the recent shortage of official Panther condoms means students at the College will be going old school for a few weeks. Unlimited plastic wrap and mayonnaise are available at Proctor during lunch and dinner, so be sure to stock up. Safety first kids!

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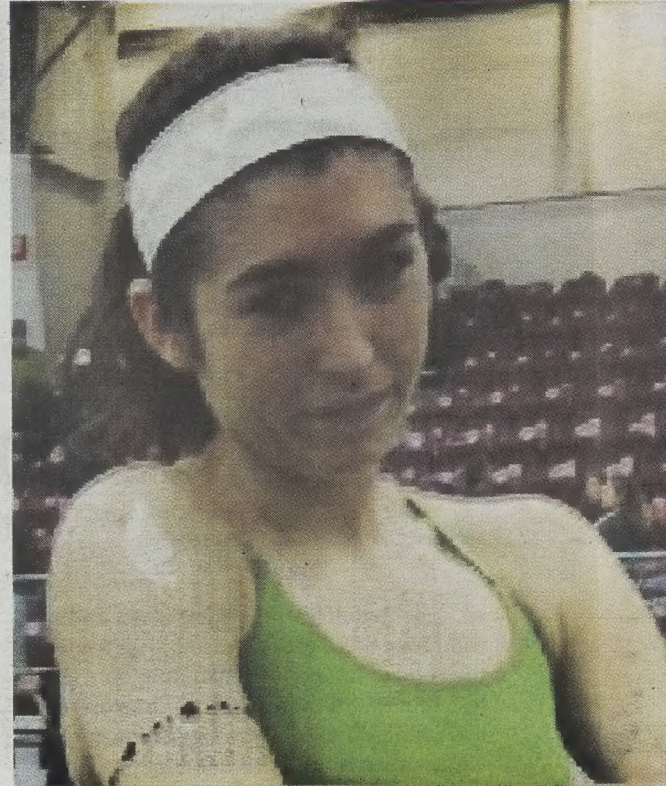
HARRY CRAMER
LOCAL EDITOR

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ELIZA TEACH
NEWS EDITOR

ELIZA IS NOT SURE SHE WANTS THIS CLASSIFIED AD TO RUN. BUT, SHE CONCEDES, IF SHE HAD TO DATE SOMEONE THEY WOULD ALSO WEAR PINK ON WEDNESDAYS, POP THEIR COLLAR AND BE FROM EITHER CONNECTICUT, RHODE ISLAND OR NEW YORK. IF YOU CAN PLAY SQUASH OR SNAP YOUR FINGERS LIKE A LAX BRO, TEXT HER IMMEDIATELY.



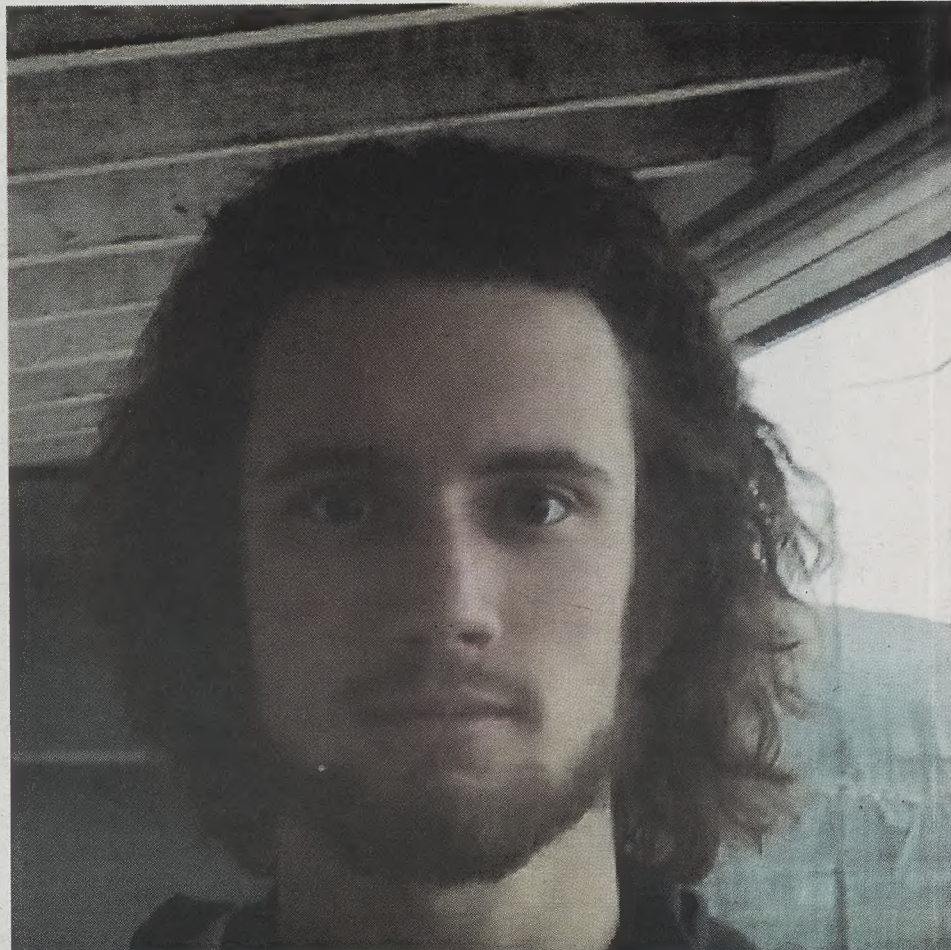
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EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

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LAUREN LIKES A BIT OF MYSTERY IN ROMANCE. A CHILD ACTRESS SINCE THE AGE OF TWO, LAUREN WAS DRAWN TO THE THEATRE BEFORE SHE COULD EVEN SAY THE WORD. HER MOST IMPRESSIVE ROLE WAS THE TREE IN THE BACKGROUND OF LION KING THE MUSICAL. WANT TO DATE LAUREN? SURPRISE HER WITH MASKS OR ROLE PLAY. BONUS POINTS IF YOU WOO HER WITH A MONOLOGUE.



EMILIE MUNSON
FEATURES EDITOR

EMILIE LIKES TO PLAY ROUGH, TO ROLL UP HER SLEEVES AND GET DIRTY. AS A FEATURES EDITOR AND FUTURE PROFESSIONAL JOURNALIST, SHE ASKS THE RIGHT QUESTIONS TO MAKE YOU TELL THE TRUTH. IT'S HARD TO IMPRESS HER, BUT WORTH IT TO TRY. INTERESTED? MUST BE ABLE TO DISTINGUISH BETWEEN "LAY" AND "LIE" AND "HOMONYMS" AND "HOMO-PHONES." FIGURE IT OUT, AND YOU HAVE A SHOT.



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LEAH LAVIGNE
MANAGING EDITOR

SHOW UP AT LEAH'S DOOR WITH A SWEET TREAT AND IT WILL BE "CHOCOLOVE." LEAH'S DREAM DATE INVOLVES A CHOCOLATE FOUNTAIN, A SWISS CHOCOLATIER AND SOMEONE READING DOVE CANDY WRAPPERS TO HER. SWEET TALKERS CALL IMMEDIATELY.



FRANCESCA HAASS
OPINIONS EDITOR

FRANCESCA WISHES BIG SUNGLASSES WERE BACK. SHE LIKES GROOVING TO MUSIC THAT IS OLDER THAN SHE IS AND TRYING TO TEASE HER HAIR INTO A BEEHIVE. SHE MIGHT NOT KNOW WHAT YEAR IT IS—BUT DON'T CALL HER ON THAT. CALL HER ON HER HOUSE PHONE FOR A DATE. TECHIES AND MODERNISTS NEED NOT APPLY.



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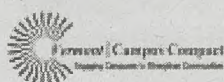
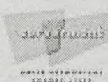
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Eat Real Bites the Local Flavorful Dust

By John Caldwell
Senior Writer

After almost three years, student group Eat Real has finally given up on its fight for food justice.

Some attribute its downfall to the reality that all food is, in fact, real. Other students say Eat Real's rival, Eat Realistic, won out.

"Most students are members of Eat Realistic and don't even realize it," the group's leader Andrew Hall-Koltz '16.5 explained. "And when students see the size of our genetically modified (GM) peaches they quickly sign on to our group petition for 50 percent GM food on campus by 2020."

Joe Mondiallo '18, another member of Eat Realistic, said, "It's only matter of time. We will starve all those who oppose us."

Previous Eat Real member and local media consumer Moses Rock '16.5 couldn't understand why the group lost student approval.

"It had a catchy slogan," he sighed. "It was simple to understand. We thought nobody wanted to eat food that isn't real. Who wouldn't jump at the opportunity?"

Another student anonymously lamented the departure of Eat Real.

"Upon entering the dining hall, I get frightened," he whispered. "I'm struck by the sheer number of fabricated food products, items allegedly called 'quinoa,' 'seitan' and 'kale.' They are regularly, and seemingly intentionally, mixed in with more familiar food items. Now there are no student groups on campus trying to help."

The loss of Eat Real has left a large, GMO-sized hole in the hearts of many Middlebury students as they mourn the loss of yet another student mainstay. The relatively recent loss of the, Gros Michel banana in the 1950's and the more recent ban on 5-hour Energy on campus has left some wondering what they have left to hunger

for.

When asked for comment on the worrying issue, President Laurie "The General" Patton said she would do everything in her power to facilitate a conversation, but nothing more, about the changes.

"We need to hear from everyone: vegans, vegetarians, paleos, regular people, and whatever else exists nowadays," she stated.

The group was embroiled in controversy during its final days. Students discovered Eat Real had been spending



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Student group Eat Real was no match for better funded rival group Eat Realistic.

a large amount of their budget on non-local carrots sold to them by deceptive farmers.

"We started selling them cheaper, mass-produced, imported carrots from Shaw's with some dirt from behind Bat-tel poured on top to make them look organic," local carrot farmer Dwide Schruide admitted. "I made a fortune before the group discovered."

Weybridge House has been one of the hardest hit groups on campus. Most students have been forced to consume their fair-trade leather clothing items. Others have contemplated more drastic measures. "When one Weybridge member mentioned cannibalism, we thought it sounded crazy," Steven Dudley '17 confessed. "But you don't know the pressure we're under. Of course we've thought about it."

Study Confirms: Intro CS Guarantees Job

By Alan Hooper
Staff Writer

A report by the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics confirmed that if you enroll in the Intro to Computer Science (CS) course that sounds vaguely practical you will get a job after graduation. Compiling data from millions of recently graduated college students across the country, the authors found that the unemployment rate of students who had enrolled in the Intro to

CS class your parents want you to take is approximately zero percent.

"Remarkably, we found that, controlling for all else, students who had taken an Intro to CS class were 89 percent more likely to get their top employment pick," the report concluded. "Hiring managers were really blown away by applicants' ability to write 'if then' statements as well as the hangman game they programmed for their final project."

The study went on to say that "the

guilt you feel about taking that fulfilling but ultimately unmarketable philosophy course on human rights instead of learning how to add and multiply numbers in the Python programming language is well founded. Using multiple regression, we found a causal relationship between that decision and having to move into your parent's basement in five years."

Collin Lafay '13.5, a recent Middlebury graduate, recounted how his experience in Introduction to CS had helped him find a job.

"Computers are the future, and every job will require some level of programming experience," Collin said, who received a "B-" on his project to program a simple tic-tac-toe game. "During my interview at a finance firm, I mentioned that I dabble in Python and had taken an Intro to CS class, and I could see they were impressed. Maybe they thought I could help with their trading algorithms."

Professor of Computer Science Matthew Dickerson said that the CS department collectively shivered when the report was published.

"The CS department is already over-worked because of over-enrollment, so please don't take our courses," Dickerson begged. "I haven't seen my wife and kids for three months."

In response to the publication, Middlebury's CS department is planning to start discouraging students from taking their classes. They've created several slogans, including "in this age of living through computers, only love will

reboot us: study humanities instead," "take an art course so you have a hobby when machines take all our jobs" and "wouldn't you rather be the person in charge telling other people to program for you?"

Jessica Waterman '19 said the study reinforced her desire to enroll in an intro level CS class next fall. "I think my four years at Middlebury will be an important time of reflection and personal growth, but I'd also like to prepare for the harsh realities of the job market," Waterman said, ignoring the fact that it takes years of coding experience to be able to meaningfully contribute to software and algorithm development. "I would like to get my feet wet and have some coding experience before entering our technology-driven economy."

Chad Smithwick '17 said he was planning on taking an Intro to CS course for more immediate concerns.

"The other day I was trying to download bittorrent and use Pirate Bay, but I got confused," Smithwick said, not realizing an intro programming course has little to do with navigating the internet or downloading programs. "Computers are increasingly becoming interwoven into our everyday lives and I use one everyday, but I know so little about them."

The report's authors ended their report by saying, "we found that all your crippling fears about the value of a liberal arts degree are true. The Intro to CS course that sounds really boring is your only chance to get your parents and annoying uncle off your back about preparing to enter the work force."



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Free-Spirited Student Climbs onto Roof

This Thursday, a free-spirited student will climb onto a roof. "This is my favorite location on campus," they'll whisper. "You can see the whole valley breath from here." Afterwords, they will make avocado ice cream and try to breathe fire by spitting lighter fluid into a flame.

4/7, 5 P.M., PEARSON ROOM 229

Hirschfield Series - Mr. Turner

This films explores the last quarter century of the great if utterly delusional British painter J.M.W. Turner. Profoundly affected by the death of his kitten, Mr. Wimples, and loved by a tortoise he takes for granted, he forms a close relationship with a seaside rock with whom he eventually lives incognito in Chelsea.

4/9, 3 P.M., DANA AUDITORIUM

Community Council Meeting

Community Council is a group of ~20 students, faculty and staff that meets to discuss issues facing the College. These include Red Bull, Five Hour Energy, increasing transparency at trustee meetings, Monster, Mountain Dew Energy, Rockstar, AMP, Duff, Full Throttle and Blue Charge.

4/12, 4:30 P.M. MCCULLOUGH CREST ROOM

Mural Demolished in Psychedelic Rage

By Leila Jones
Contributing Writer

Students returned from spring break this Monday, April 4 to discover a newly blank wall in the hallway outside the Proctor Dining Hall. Last Wednesday, March 30, at approximately 11:30 p.m., six people broke into the building and demolished the mural that had adorned the full length of the 30-by-10-foot wall since the spring of 2011. As the senior thesis project of a Studio Art major, the graffiti-inspired painting had become a beloved fixture of the campus' smallest dining hall over the past few years.

Facilities Services became aware of the details behind the mural's destruction due to a set of security cameras that had apparently been secretly installed outside of Proctor Dining Hall at an undetermined earlier date. Thus, the official report of the incident came with the awkward revelation that the College is not, in fact, free of surveillance devices - despite students' strongly voiced desires since last spring to maintain a security camera-free campus.

Video footage released by Facilities Services reveals a shockingly clear compilation of six people breaking into Proctor Dining Hall last Wednesday night by picking the lock at the front door. Though it is impossible to determine their ages, it is likely that the group consisted of students loitering on

campus during spring break, as they each donned a navy blue Middlebury College hoodie, a ski mask and a Patagonia ski hat.

Upon entering the building, the group attempted to break into the kitchen, expressing loud sentiments of hunger. However, they quickly relented once they noticed that there was no food in sight - perhaps even realizing that Proctor Dining Hall had been closed, and would continue to be closed, for the entirety of the break. At this point, one member of the group turned around to face the mural in the hallway, and called the other

five over to admire the "trippy colors." The six individuals proceeded to stare at the wall, pacing back and forth occasionally as they commented on the "moving faces" and "swirly circles" before them.

About three minutes in, one person collapsed onto their knees and exclaimed that they could sense the "Devil emerging from that corner over there." The other five members of the party immediately agreed, at which point it became clear that

they were under the influence of some kind of psychedelic drug. Detailed inspection of video footage suggests that the Devil comment was in reference to the red, flame-like patterns in the bottom right section of the mural.

Still seated on the floor, the original observer of the "Devil" announced, "We have to destroy it as soon as possible, by any means possible." The rest of the group quickly be-



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The mural outside Proctor was torn down amid suspected drug-fueled confusion.

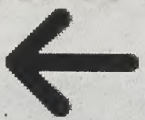
gan clawing at the edges of the wall. Within ten minutes, a large chunk of the original wallpaper, covered by the paint of the mural, had fallen off. From there, the demolition process took approximately fifteen minutes, with the sounds of the slowly ripping wallpaper interspersed by shrieks of wild laughter. By the end, nearly three-quarters of the mural had been destroyed to reveal the original blue background of the wall. Large patches remained near the top section, which the group had been unable to reach despite their best efforts. The six individuals departed the building at around midnight, expressing satisfaction that they had "finally vanquished

the Devil" and inquiring loudly whether the Grille was still open.

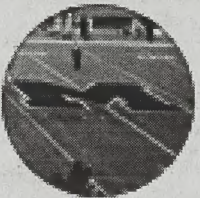
Facilities Services discovered the mess on Sunday morning, scraping the remaining fragments off of the mural in order to maintain a consistent aesthetic.

"We have no doubt that drugs were involved," Head of Facilities Services George Harding said in an official statement.

The administration has launched an investigation to find the six individuals, whom they plan to charge with the destruction of public property. A new mural under the direction of the Department of Studio Art is currently in the works.



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By Ron Burgundy
Anchorman

History 0337, the Legacies of the Revolutionary Period in the Post-Reconstruction Midwest, had its first test of the semester last Wednesday afternoon, March 30. Professor F. J. T. Wood-Beard Zi's test was a high stakes doozy, counting for 30 percent of the class grade.

Sophomore Johnny Frolickstein '18 tried to get the semester off on a good note, especially after he ended the first semester pulling four all-nighters in five days.

"I studied my butt off for this test," Frolickstein said. "I respect Professor Wood-Beard Zi and enjoy the class material, so I was extra-motivated to do well on this [test]."

The format was typical of a history test.

Students were confronted with 10 IDs and were expected to respond to seven of them. Professor Wood-Beard Zi then allowed the students to pick two out of three essay questions drawing from discussions, lectures, readings, "optional" texts for class, as well as the three required outside of class lectures and the two "optional" outside of class lectures.

John Brown '16, a senior history major fresh off writing his thesis, walked out of the test exuding the confidence of a senior history major that just finished writing his thesis.

"Piece of cake," he quipped. "I've seen worse."

Overall, it was a successful day for the class, as the entire second row knew their IDs and rose to the occasion.

"I could have answered all 10 IDs," said

first-year Thad Stevens-Seward '19, "which is probably why I accidentally answered eight. Hopefully that won't count against me. Although, the instructions said not to answer more than seven terms."

Sophomore Claire Barton '18 thought she performed well despite being unhappy that her favorite figure from the former Confederate cabinet, Postmaster General John Henninger Reagan, was not on the test.

"You know, I did the best I could even though I got more claustrophobic than usual since there are no windows in the room. I also got tripped up on the ID on the 'New Departure' strategy, but I stuck it out and will continue to improve how I prepare for next time," said Barton.

While the whole class acknowledged that there is room for improvement, Frolickstein

echoed a sentiment shared by the whole class that the third essay question caught him off guard.

"I just don't see what the 'Spring and Autumn Annals' and a comparison with the zamindar system in pre-Raj India had to do with the Midwest at the end of the nineteenth century or the legacies of the Revolutionary period," Frolickstein said.

Professor Wood-Beard Zi complimented his students on their performances and said he looks forward to the coming weeks of class.

"I thought it went great," Wood-Beard Zi said. "One thing I want to make sure of next time is that we are mindful of injuries and staying physically fresh. Luckily, only two students confronted forearm cramps, but they were both lefties and should be fine by the next time class meets Monday."

Dixon Hemphill Recruited to Middlebury Track & Field

By Laurie Patton
How much PR can we get?

In a shocking turn of events, Dixon Hemphill '49 announced today that he has committed to run Track & Field at Middlebury College. Head Coach Martin Beatty actively recruited the 91-year-old Master's World Champion and managed to snag him away from the likes of track powerhouses Oregon, Texas A&M and LSU.

In an official statement, Hemphill announced that he would be joining the class

of 2020 to run as a Middlebury Panther. It's not Hemphill's first time at the college, though. He first did his stint back in 1949, before NCAA eligibility came into effect. Hemphill is excited to get back to business and train hard in the new Virtue Field House.

"It's no wooden track, but I guess it'll do," he said.

Hemphill has turned heads with his numerous world records and his performance in the alumni mile as well as the 60-meter dash back in January. His versatility across distances made him a target for several schools.



Dixon Hemphill '49/'20 enjoys a laugh with his new teammates.

BY THE NUMB3RS

- 1,456** Number of beers drank in Atwater last weekend.
- 1,000,000** Colleges with the Panther as their mascot.
- 1996** The founding year of the Quidditch team.
- 2:30** Our (minus Alex) 4x400 relay time.

"Ever since I saw him on the USA Track & Field Instagram, I just knew I had to have him," Beatty said. "His character and zest for life is simply just one of a kind. I have no doubt that he going to be a great addition to the team."

Hemphill first learned of Middlebury's interest in him when someone forwarded him an all-school email sent by President Laurie L. Patton - who he admits he thinks is a total babe - lauding his performance after the alumni mile. Despite being targeted by several DI schools, Hemphill acknowledged that it would be nice to be a big fish in a little pond.

"I'm a PR goldmine and I know it. Laurie's going to get so many emails out of me," he said.

Amongst the many reasons why he chose Middlebury, Hemphill cited his overnight with the track team as the major contributing factor. Despite blacking out for most of the night, Hemphill fell in love with the

Middlebury social scene all over again.

"I mean these kids' parties are pretty soft compared to my frat parties back in the day, but all the dudes are pretty chill. Plus, they drink exclusively genny cream and do dunkaroos, what's not to love?" Hemphill said.

As Hemphill starts to train hard for his first season on the track team - you might catch a glimpse of him running on the TAM in his signature short shorts and goggles - he is excited for four more years at the college. Despite the fact that over 60 years have passed, Hemphill doesn't think he'll have a problem channeling his inner Midd Kid

again.

"Battell literally looks exactly the same, which is pretty comforting," he said. "And I hear that the athletic center still does all your laundry for you, so I'm glad that athletic privilege is still alive and well on campus. #narpsdrol," he said.

For now, Beatty can simply dream of what lies in store for Hemphill and the Middlebury Track & Field team.

"He's a raw talent for sure, so it's going to take a little time to refine him," Beatty said. "But once we do, he's going to explode. In a couple of years he could be winning NESCACs in every event. Suck it Williams," Beatty said.

EDITORS' PICKS

ALEX MORRIS (200-0, 1.000)

EMILY BUSTARD (140-1, 0.992)

ANDREW RIGAS (44-31, .587)

WILL CASE (18-13, .580)

REMO PLUNKETT (58-50, .537)

Pick 'em: the football team or the cross country team in a game of steal the bacon?	Over/Under: Half of spring athletes make the NESCAC All-Academic Team?	Athlete most likely to steal crab legs?	Next coach of the baseball team, Joe or Will?
ME I mean, look at that editors' pick percentage. #winning	OVER We is smart, we is kind, we is important.	JOE MACDONALD '16 Thanks for leaving me with these NARPS, Joe. (JK you guys are way better).	WILL What does Joe know about baseball, anyways?
CROSS COUNTRY According to Wikipedia, this is a tag-like game (also known as "Steal the Flingsock" in Europe). So obviously the runners.	NEITHER I'm betting on an even split.	ME?? (do club sport athletes count?) idk if I'm missing something, but this seems like a pointless endeavor. I do like sea creatures though.	JOE Now, after my epic comeback in the Eds Picks rankings, I guess I can safely abandon my grudge that he left me in last place.
FOOTBALL When push came to shove, they shoved 'em.	OVER NESCAC lowered its standard from 2.0 to 1.0	STEPHEN KLEIN '18 He just couldn't resist those legs.	WILL I think the team needs to bring in a guy with an analytics background.
FOOTBALL They don't call it a pigskin for nothing.	OVER Midd > brainpower than rest of the conference combined.	ALEX Only because Remo isn't a member of a team.	JOE Although I hear that Bobby V and Ozzie Guillen are available.
QUIDDITCH TEAM	I miss Fritz.	HENRY RIEHL '18	JOE

MIDDLEBURY ATHLETICS



**EVERYTHING
THE LIGHT
TOUCHES IS
OUR KINGDOM**



**BABY PLEASE
DON'T GO**



**I DON'T KNOW
WHAT TO DO
WITH MY HANDS**



FLOAT LIKE A

BUTTERFLY

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**INSIDE
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**BASEBALL WINS
A GAME!!! WAIT...
THIS ACTUALLY
HAPPENED. NO FUN.
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**ANDREW RIGAS FOR
SURE GOT A FREE
BOWL OF SOUP WITH
THIS HAIRCUT!!!
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